# Flathead County EMS Advisory Committee June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010

Attendees:

Kris Long Cody Westgard Rod Dresbach

Mary Granger Lance Westgard
Jerry Thornburg Justin Woods
Louise Tidwell Rodney Dresbach
John leach Kim Vierra-Diehl
Amy Metcalfe Tracy Norred
Amanda Norenberg Scott Sampey

Called to Order at 6:05 Agenda Approved Minutes Approved for May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2010

# **Co-Chair position**

Mary Granger will take a three month leave of absence as co-chair as she is the interim EMS Manager. The Committee agreed not to vote in a vice-chair, Mary will resume co-chair when the position has ended.

MOTION to grant a three month leave of absence to co-chair Mary Granger, Tidwell SECOND, Metcalfe Approved

# **Expectations of the EMS Manager and Office**

Granger asked the committee to brainstorm expectations from the EMS Manager and staff. The Committee broke into 3 groups; each small group noted their ideas then shared with the rest of the group:

Manager Office
Unit Education Guest Educators

"Something different" relevant

Open communication Hands on training
Help with problem solving training between Units
Team building classes training within the units
Leadership and classes

Leadership and classes Equipment resources
Close working relationship w/MD, Train the trainer

Advisors, and TO

Advocate for EMS local and state

System knowledge Registry knowledge Develop QA/QI-Data

Plan to enhance and progress Multi-Agency cooperation

# Training subcommittee May 21st, 2010

Rocco not in attendance, Kris let the committee know the intentions of the training committee to develop an online training program. The Subcommittee is looking in to both 24-7 and Centre learn. Both programs have an excellent information management tool and online classes available. This will reduce the amount of classroom time and help manage provider training. Next Meeting for training committee is scheduled for June  $4^{th}$ , 2010, 5 PM @ 911 Center

# Operations subcommittee (John Leach) April 26<sup>th</sup> 2010

Discussion was focused mainly on the MOU that is to be dispersed to all EMS providers consensus was to forward the letter as written to the Legal staff of the county as well as to the Advisory and administrative board.

Discussion of the role of the County Medical Director and implementation of his role was laid out with a general understanding of his/her role as well as the role of the medical advisor.

Concerns were raised on these topics, protocols, access to medical director, endorsement authorization and stability of some EMS providers in the county.

Next Meeting is scheduled for June 28th, 2010, 8 AM at 911 Center

# Memorandum of Understanding (Mary Granger)

Granger explained the MOU's to the Committee. The MOU's have been developed as an agreement between the Board and the Agencies. The Board described certain terms each Agency must fulfill to receive the mill allotments. Granger expressed the importance of the MOU's when developing a unified EMS system. The MOU's will be approved by the Board on June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The deadline to finance is June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2010. This will insure the allotments are disbursed within the 2010 fiscal year.

#### Agency Contact for Medical Director Change (Mary Granger)

Granger expressed the need for every agencies Director or one who has access to the HIRMS website to be available to meet with Dr. Briles. Before meeting with Dr. Briles you must print out the Agency roster and each individual provider's record. This will insure Dr. Briles has the latest information to authorize.

# **EMS Managers Report** (Mary Granger)

Granger explained the urgency of the MOU deadline, and the importance of the HIRMS records for Dr. Briles.

# Run designation for next disbursement

Granger expressed the possibility of changing the definition of a "run". The Committee strongly opposed this and would like to see the definition stay as agreed upon and the formula stay as agreed upon.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:45pm

Next meeting: July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2010 @ 6p FECC